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and if friends in other places do not *enough to* *us*, we will try to raise the whole, yet we are unwilling to deprive them of the privilege of being 'fellow helpers' in this good work. We desire their cordial approval, their sympathy, their co-operation, and their prayers. And we ask our friends in the towns and villages on the coast in particular, whose sons and brothers are exposed to all the perils to which we have referred, to con-

Miscellaneous.

SARATH SCHOOL EXCURSIONS.—These are becoming somewhat common, and we know of no other school in the city, and ask them to aid us. Those who are not, we are sure, will be glad to meet our necessary expenses. May we not hope that this call will be promptly and liberally responded to?

It will be seen that the management of the concerns of the Bethel is chiefly in the hands of laymen, chosen by their respective churches, and well known to the religious public. All the pastors in the city have given their cordial approval to the Society, but on account of their many engagements, are not able to be present at the management of its affairs.

The following are the names of the gentlemen composing the Bethel Committee, to have charge of its concerns for the current year, who belong to the various churches in the city.

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COMMENCEMENT AT MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

The Anniversary of Middlebury College, at Middlebury, Vermont, occurred on the 21st and 22d ultimo. The exercises were opened with a sermon by Rev. David D. Phelps, of Plattsburgh, delivered before the Philadelphia Society. 'It is a day of the agency and away exercised by the student during the world's past history, and the reasonable expectation of the same predominance in the periods to come.'

On Wednesday commenced the exercises of the graduating class, twelve in number. The orator of the afternoon before the Society of Associated Ministers, was Rev. C. B. Drake, of Royalton.

J. G. Saxe, Esq., of the legal profession in the town of Highgate, and a graduate of a few years standing, fulfilled his appointment by the Alumni, and closed the Anniversary, with a humorous poetical satire upon 'Progress.'

A rich treat was enjoyed in the address of Rev. Dr. Cheever, of New York, on 'National Literature,' which is thus described by a correspondent of the Vermont Observer:

We listened with wondering delight, as he calmly unfolded the influences which for centuries have been deluging the nations of Europe with a corrupt and deluding literature, and set forth with masterly eloquence the various materials of which our literature must be composed, that we may continue an enlightened, a generous, a free people. Would that all our scholars could have heard him—every one who loves noble thoughts and lofty aims, whose mind will at times picture scenes in our now youthful Republic, when a century or two shall have increased our twenty millions to more than a thousand—whose emotions were warmly as he contemplated the more than probable time, when other languages of the earth, now but swine ways to passion and superstition, shall slowly unfold the noblest of sciences, and the Saxon Literature renovated, strengthened, and animated by the loftiest spirit of life, shall spread its wide arms over every portion of the habitable globe. It was a suggestive discourse, brilliant with genius and replete with wisdom.

Washington.

Washington, July 30, 1846.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—The accounts at the Capitol for the last few days have been exciting beyond precedent. The Tariff question has absorbed all others. It had all along been anticipated that in the Senate the vote would be very close, it being understood that three Democratic Senators, one from Connecticut, and two from Pennsylvania, would vote against the new Bill. This it was supposed, would leave the Senate divided, in case the remaining members voted with their respective parties. But the vote of Mr. Haywood, of North Carolina, and that of Mr. Jarman, of Tennessee, are considered extremely doubtful. On Saturday, however, all speculation was put to rest concerning Mr. Haywood, by his resigning his seat in the Senate, rather than to vote against his party or for the Bill. After various motions to re-commit and amend, the Bill was ordered to its third reading by the casting vote of the Vice-President. This was a severe blow to the Pennsylvania, great numbers of whom were in attendance. Mr. Dallas in a Pennsylvania, made a strong speech for protection in 1852, and was cheered up to the last moment, as a strong Tariff man. But he soon gave up his vote, and soon removed all doubt. He voted with his party.

The Senate Chamber, lobby, and gallery were crowded almost to suffocation. Anxiety was depicted on every countenance. Foreign ministers, with their suits, were in attendance, and when the result was announced, no face in the Chamber was more radiant with smiles than that of Mr. Parkerham, the British Minister.

The Senate having adopted an amendment, the Bill had to be returned to the House for concurrence, and on yesterday morning it was announced to this latter body. A call of the House was ordered—211 members answered to attendance. Mr. Stewart, of Pennsylvania, moved to lay the Bill on the table. This motion was lost by 96 to 113. The previous question was then ordered by a vote of 102 to 103. Another motion was made to lay the Bill and the amendment on the table; this was lost by 111 to 93. The amendment of the Senate was then concurred in, and the Bill declared passed.

The House have now under consideration the Bill to modify the Post Office law, proposing one quarter instead of one half an ounce as the minimum weight of a letter. I think, however, that the Senate has the law will not be altered. The Senate has under deliberation the Sub-Treasury Bill, which will probably pass today.

Both Houses seem intent on bringing their labors to a close. The members are hurrying down by the labors and excitement of the long session. Yours, &c.

P. S. The House, by a pretty strong vote, has just consigned the new Post Office Bill to the table. It was designed by it to raise the postage on letters and papers. The vote is indicative of a strong disposition to let the law remain as it is. This is right.

The French Spoliation Bill is now by a very favorable vote under consideration. It has passed the Senate.

Miscellaneous.

the \$800,000 contributed to the American Baptist Board, about one-fifth had also come from the same State.

From examination of the recent reports of benevolent societies, it also appears that the \$125,124, received the past year by the American Home Missionary Society, \$41,438, or nearly one-third, was from Massachusetts, and that of the \$153,916 received the same year by the American Tract Society, upwards of \$40,000, or more than a quarter of the whole, was likewise from the same State.

Should the whole United States contribute for domestic and foreign missions and for the tract enterprise, as much in proportion to their population as Massachusetts, the annual amount would exceed \$6,000,000; and yet this would be only equal to about one third of what the American people annually paid for sustaining the navy and war departments in time of peace!—Sun.

MORRIS'S GEOGRAPHICAL MAPS.—Number five of this highly valuable series of Maps issued by the Harper and, and to be had of Wm. Peirce and Co. has Mexico, Central America, Yucatan, Mississippi, Canada West, Vermont and New Hampshire.

CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE LIBRARY.—By actual enumeration made lately, this library consists of 31,000 volumes, exclusive of eight or ten thousand pamphlets. The department of American history is supposed to be the largest in the world, being 5,000 volumes. The oldest work on American history known to exist is a letter of Columbus, translated from Italian into Latin, and published in 1494.

UNPUBLISHED MANUSCRIPTS OF ALEXANDER HAMILTON.—The bill for purchasing the manuscripts of Alexander Hamilton, and designed for the relief of the widow of the deceased, passed to a third reading in the Senate of the United States, on Saturday, by a vote of 27 to 13. The bill appropriates \$20,000—one half for the MSS., and one half for the printing of the proposed five volumes.

UNEMPLOYED UNITARIAN CLERGYMEN.—The Christian Register says: 'There are in Boston and its vicinity some ten or twenty Unitarian ministers without any pastoral charges.'

Some of our subscribers, we regret to say, are in arrears. The amount with each of them is small, but the aggregate with us, in the large extent to which we are weekly subjected, is considerable. It is not by large, but by little streams, that we are supplied with the means of meeting our liabilities in serving the public.

We respectfully request our patrons to remember that, and all who have done at this office, will much oblige and encourage us in our work, by their immediate payment.

The first of August, as commemorating West India emancipation, appears to have been appropriately celebrated. Quite a large procession of colored people passed our office, with banners, preceded by a band of music. The appearance of those who composed the procession was certainly very creditable. We noticed among others, as they passed in front of our office, the following inscriptions on their banners: 'This day we celebrate the emancipation of 800,000 human beings from bondage.' 'We want our rights. It is all we ask.' 'Remember them who are in bonds, as bound with them.'

We are happy to learn, says the Salem Register, that the Rev. Mr. Carleton has commenced the distribution of Bibles in our city, and that he meets with a very kind reception from all classes and denominations. We understand that while the destitute, who are unable to pay, are supplied gratuitously, many are disposed to purchase, for the encouragement of the object of the Bible Society, and their own accommodation.

We are ever gratified in being able to serve the public even beyond the columns of our own paper. It gives us pleasure to see articles coming from the Christian Reflector, especially when they are deemed deserving of the honor. But this pleasure is now and then somewhat mingled. We notice one of our exchanges, whose kindness we have ever appreciated, gives nearly two columns of material including an account we gave of the late embarkation, and also the beautiful and touching letter of farewell from Mrs. Judson, and no credit whatever is given, and the readers would of course gain the impression that all came from, or to the editor himself. We hope the omission with our brother was unintentional, as we cannot be persuaded that he would unlawfully enter into other men's labors.

A correspondent of the Emancipator, writing from Illinois, gives the following description of what befell a congregation assembled in a large tent to hear liberty discourse on the 4th of July:—About three o'clock in the afternoon of the 4th, while cooling was in full blast, a terrible tornado came sweeping over the prairie, and broke us all up in the wildest confusion. The bonnets, shawls, handkerchiefs, hats, umbrellas, &c., &c., were scattered like sea shells over the country's wide. The women went to and fro, shrieking and screaming for their husbands as if their hearts would break—their bonnets were spoiled and they could not go home! Meanwhile, the rain poured down in torrents—every house in the village was soon filled, and every door covered with black mud. But of all the sights, the fair sex in white dresses, capped the climax. Several were badly hurt by the dangling poles and chains, but none fatally.

Two thousand female teachers are said to be immediately wanted in the State of Kentucky. A writer in the Louisville Journal says that a number of benevolent ladies are taking measures for supplying in part this destitution.

It is expected that the Committee on the Library, in Congress, will recommend the purchase of Mr. Catlin's splendid collection of Indian portraits and costumes now in the Louvre, at Paris.

Rev. Dr. Lord, of Buffalo, says the Rochester Democrat, lately published a very able opinion on the subject of Capital Punishment. He places the abolition of the death penalty in the same category with the Socialism and Fourierism of the day.

We are desired to say that Rev. Baron Stow, will not deliver the address before the Bostonian Missionary Society of Waterville College, as noticed last week. His many engagements and duties oblige him to decline the honor of appearing before the Society.

Littell's Living Age, which we regularly receive through the politeness of its publishers is one of the most welcome of periodicals. We hail its weekly entertainment of rich and varied matter with unusual satisfaction.

The Christian Review, the July number of which we have received, but which we have not yet been able fully to examine, has the following table of contents: 1. Remarks on the 10th Psalm. 2. The New Testament in Karen. Karen Grammar, by Rev. Francis Mason. 3. On Baptism. 4. Lectures on the Evidence of Christianity. 5. The Christian Ministry. 6.

The Classical Scholarship of Burke. 7. The Baptist Confession in Denmark. 8. Literary Notices. 9. Miscellaneous Intelligence.

The extended and valuable article on baptism, we observe to be from the pen of our highly esteemed brother, Rev. T. F. Caldwell. The subject which it discusses, has received among the writers on baptism, but slight attention, and Mr. C. has brought to its consideration much learning and ability.

Sympathy with poor Students for the Ministry.—Massachusetts Baptist Convention, and Widows' Relief Society, each of these articles is entitled to the careful consideration of the reader.

Benjamin Franklin says:—'Printer's accounts, though small, are a very good index of character. Let me look over my books, and I can tell you the character of every person whose name is there.'

The Park Street church, in this city, have invited the Rev. Charles Wadsworth, of Troy, to become associate pastor, with Rev. Silas Kirk.

Rev. Orrin B. Judd, late pastor of the Second Baptist church, in New Haven, has become an associate editor of the N. Y. Recorder.

General Intelligence.

ARRIVAL OF THE HIBERNIA.

TWELVE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The steamship Hibernia, Capt. Kyrie, arrived on Monday morning, between 5 and 6 o'clock. She left Liverpool on the 19th of July, and consequently made the passage in a little more than 14 1/2 days. She encountered strong westerly gales from the 19th to the 25th ult., which materially retarded her progress. The Hibernia brought 21 passengers from Liverpool to Halifax, 62 from Liverpool to Boston, and 10 from Halifax to Boston, in all 93 passengers.

By this arrival we have European news 12 days later than by the Great Britain, Liverpool dates to the 10th, and London to the 15th.

Business is represented as more active and settled than it had been for a long time. The cotton market was firm with an upward tendency in price. The market continued to be delightful and one of the earliest and most abundant harvest on record, was nearly ready for the sickle. The American beef market was drooping, particularly the inferior sorts; pork was more firm; nice cheese was scarce and high. 'The exportation of hops from America, it is suggested by Wilmer & Smith, may be profitable. It is rumored that the potato rot is doing its work of destruction in England and Ireland. The iron trade has of late received a powerful impetus. The manufacturers, it is thought, will find it difficult to supply the orders on them for railroad iron. The money market is reported as more buoyant; bank stocks and other securities have risen.

FRANCE.—The latest dates from Paris are to the 16th of July. There is nothing of especial interest by way of news. The Chamber of Deputies had been dissolved, and a new one was ordered to be elected on the 1st of August. Party spirit was high, and the elections were expected to be violently contested.

Prince Louis Napoleon.—The medical attendant of the Prince Louis Napoleon has been condemned to three months' imprisonment for having aided him to escape from the fortress at Ham, where he was confined so many years.—Traveler.

FROM THE ARMY ON THE RIO GRANDE.—Intelligence has been received at New Orleans from Brazos de Santiago up to July 20th. General Taylor was at Matamoros superintending and pushing forward the recruits. Campaign was taken by the 2nd Cavalry, 1st Cavalry, 1st Infantry, and 1st Artillery. The 1st Cavalry, 1st Infantry, and 1st Artillery, were at a short distance, but made not the least opposition. There were only three hundred troops at Monterey. No opposition this side of Reynosa. There was a report in the Army that negotiations were on foot for peace. The volunteers were suffering severely from diarrhoea. Nothing had been heard of Mexicans in force. The U. S. frigate Haritan and schooner Flirt were at Tampico.—N. Y. True Sun.

DOMESTIC.

Dreadful Steamboat Accident, on the St. Lawrence.—The N. Y. Tribune, of Monday, contains a letter from Rev. J. S. C. Abbott, giving a graphic and appalling account of a collision between the steamship *St. Lawrence*, between Quebec and Montreal, on the 21st ult. The accident arose from the collision of the steamboat Rowland Hill, and the Quebec, the former of which was engaged in a fierce race with another boat.

'I was aroused, says Mr. Abbott, from a sound sleep, in my state-room, by the crash of the two boats, and the sight of the Rowland Hill, with her wheel and wheel entirely carried away, lying nearly upon her side, and drifting on the current by us. The violence of the collision was so great, that the water was covered with a solid iron shaft, eighteen inches in diameter, was broken off, and the fragment of the shaft, with the wheel attached, was left upon the bows of our boat. The water was covered with fragments of the wreck, and here and there could be seen struggling in the stream, the heads and limbs of those who had been thrown from the boat, or in their terror had leaped overboard. The air was filled with confused waters in French and English; and most appalling shrieks were uttered by those in the water, and those who were striving to extricate themselves from the sinking boat.'

The Quebec sustained no material injury. The steamboat *Rowland Hill*, which the *St. Lawrence* was racing, came along side and assisted in the rescue. We remained by the wreck until morning, and then went on our way to Montreal, taking with us many of those who had been saved. The *Rowland Hill* took others to Quebec, and many remained at the village called Three Rivers. Two were found crushed to death by the collision, and it is supposed that many were drowned, but it is not known how many. Five only were rescued by the boats from the water. Most of the baggage was saved, though several lost every thing, excepting only their night dresses.

A Distressing Accident occurred at a depot this noon, when the Southern car arrived. A Mr. Dunker, of Brooklyn, N. Y., left the car to get some refreshment, and in attempting to get on again while the train was starting off for New York, missed his hold and fell upon the track, when the wheels of two cars passed over his legs, dreadfully crushing them just below the knee; he displayed great presence of mind, and called for a handkerchief to tie round the limbs, to prevent the blood from circulating in the wounds. Dr. James Nichols and Dury were promptly on the spot, and are engaged in amputating the limb. This is the first instance of the kind of attempting to get upon a car while it is in motion.—Newark Advertiser, 27th.

Painful Accident.—Mr. Litch, of the firm of Litch & Whipple, met with a serious accident a few days since, occasioned by upsetting, upon his head and face, an empty bottle of bromine, a corrosive poison, used in obtaining daguerreotype likenesses. The effects of the poison were such as to endanger Mr. L.'s life.

Fatal Accident.—Yesterday afternoon, Thomas, child of Mr. George Martin, about four years old, who was wandering among the ruins in the burnt district, fell into an uncovered vault, and was drowned.—Newark Advertiser, 27th ult.

Great Fishing.—The Gloucester Tele-

graph says that a party of gentlemen from that place, while fishing on Burnham's rock, about four miles southeast of Eastern point, light, the other day, caught, among a large quantity of fish, six fine Cod, whose aggregate weight was three hundred and ten pounds, averaging upwards of fifty pounds each! Wasn't that sport!

Fire in Old Cambridge.—A horrible death—About 4 o'clock on Sunday morning, fire was discovered in a small, one story dwelling, owned and occupied by Mr. James Hannum, in Old Cambridge. Mr. H. slept in the attic over the kitchen, and was aroused from his slumber by the blaze coming through the floor into his apartment. He immediately sprang from his bed, and without dressing himself, hastened down stairs, and as soon as possible, returned with one or two buckets of water, undoubtedly thinking to be able to extinguish the flames in the attic, but such had been the progress of the fire, in the kitchen, that before he could again leave, the floor fell in, carrying him with it. This was the last that was seen of him while living. After the fire was quenched, nothing was found of his remains, with the exception of the trunk of his body. The screams of the unfortunate man, which lasted but for a moment or two, are represented to have been most agonizing and terrible.—Eagle.

Monstrous Villainy.—While at Nantucket, on Friday, we learned that a sloop, of Nantucket, was about to leave the wharf on the previous night, having received permission to a gentleman to ascertain if there was anything on board belonging to him, he having had his suspicions excited. A threat to obtain assistance from one of the cutters in port, caused the person in command to change his mind, and an examination led to the discovery of a large quantity of goods stolen from the sloop. Upon their restoration, the vessel was suffered to depart.—New Bedford Bulletin.

Emancipation.—A cavalcade of some thirty or forty colored men, and a procession of about the same number on foot, accompanied by bands of music, passed our office about noon. They paraded in commemoration of the Emancipation of Slavery in the British West Indies. They were dressed in the best style, and made a very good appearance.—Traveler of Saturday.

A Man and Horse killed by Lightning.—We are sorry to learn that, during the severe gust and lightning storm which took place in this city and its vicinity, last Friday night, a young man, about 23 years of age, named David Fry, was instantly killed by the lightning. He was, in company with several others, standing in a field where they had been harvesting, not far from the long bridge. The fatal fluid killed poor Fry instantly; his companions were much stunned, and a horse near him was also struck dead upon the spot.—National Intelligencer.

Boston, Concord, and Montreal Railroad.—The stockholders to this road held a meeting at Plymouth, last Thursday, which we are informed was fully attended. A vote was taken, instructing the directors to go out and contract for building the road from this place to Sarnborough Bridge without delay. The friends of the road will be glad to learn that the enterprise is now considered beyond contingency; many of the obstacles which have heretofore obstructed its progress, having been entirely removed. The grading of the first 18 miles will, we understand, be put under contract immediately.—Concord Democrat.

Fire in Manchester.—A fire broke out in two adjoining buildings on Elm street, in Manchester, about one o'clock Friday morning, which were considerably damaged, with their contents, before the fire was subdued. The upper part was occupied by families, and the basement by Perkins' Bookstore, Dana's Jewelry shop, Lock & Perry's Dry Goods Store, &c.—Nashua Gazette.

The Hutchinsons.—It is said that the Hutchinson family, in their year's residence in England, cleared the very pretty little sum of \$30,000, after paying all expenses.

Collector at Portsmouth, N. H.—The nomination of Augustus Jenkins, as Collector of the Port of Portsmouth, has been confirmed by the Senate.

Wheat Crop of Michigan.—There is a general impression among our Michigan exchanges of the increase of the wheat crop over 1845, large as it was. Last year it was placed by many competent judges at 8,000,000 bushels, and this season they claim a further increase of 20 per cent., or ten million bushels. Indeed, some figure up even higher than this.

Thieves and Burglars.—We understand from good authority, that the line of Railroad between this and Albany, is infested by a gang of blacklegs, thieves and burglars. They may be seen almost any day, quite innocently awaiting the arrival of the cars at the different stations of the line.—Buffalo Express.

Tail Grass.—A day or two since, a gentleman came into our office from Colton, and deliberately pitted that town against the county for tail grass. He stated that he saw a field of timothy standing five feet and two inches from the ground. But scarcely had the afforementioned gentleman left the office, when another entered, doing just the same thing for Mr. Giles, who lives at Halesboro, two miles south of Colton, and saying that his timothy grass measured, when cut with the scythe, six feet six inches, in length and that Mr. Betts of the same place, had just actually cut five and a half tons of such grass from a single acre. The grass heads measured from six to eight inches in length. This gentleman enriches his meadows by sowing leached sand and plaster upon them annually. The grass throughout the county is enormously large.—Ogdensburg Sentinel.

The Water Works.—The Journal states that proposals for excavating about five miles of the aqueduct, together with an accurate profile of the ground, have been issued by the Water Commissioners and that critical examinations of the several routes have been made. About fifty wells have been sunk between Natick and Long Pond, to ascertain the character of the soil beneath—and by this it is shown that little or no blasting will be required. No ardent spirits will be used or allowed on the work.

Lynnfield Copper Mines.—We see by a notice in the Lynn Pioneer, that the mines are now in full operation, and copper ore in abundance, of 15 per cent. value, is obtained from them.

Consul Dead.—By the Nantucket, that this port from Rio Grande, we learn that Henry De Vinne, Esq., acting U. S. Consul, died there in the latter part of May. We believe he was from Hollidaysburg, Penn., and about fifty years old.—Salem Reg.

Summary.

Elijah Loring, Esq. for many years the wharfinger at Long wharf, and well known and highly esteemed in this city, died suddenly of apoplexy at his residence in Burlington street.

Murdered, in Dorchester, N. H., on the 15th ult., by Alcohol, as is supposed, producing mental derangement, which prevailed in suicide. Mr. M. White, aged about 70. Let the rum-seller add this to his list of victims.—Clement Eagle.

Five hundred Mormons have enlisted to serve in the Santa Fe Expedition.

There is in operation in Massachusetts, seven hundred miles of railroad. These roads cost, \$25,000,000.

Charlestown Female Seminary.

THE 4TH Term of this Institution will commence on Tuesday, Sept. 1st, at 10 o'clock, A. M. For the Prospectus, apply to the Trustees.

New Hampton Institution.

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Jamaica Plain School for Young Ladies.

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The Family Circle.

"O, the sweet atmosphere of home! how bright
It glows around me, when I sit at home,
Under a lowly roof, and hear the sweet
Or round the hearthstone in a winter's night!"

The Lyric of Life.

THE FATHER IS COMING—BY MISS HENRY.

The clock is on the stroke of six.
The father's work is done;
He sweeps up the hearth and mends the fire,
And puts the kettle on.

The wild night-wind is blowing cold,
The dreary crossing o'er the world.
He's crossing o'er the world again,
He's stronger than the storm;

He does not feel the cold, nor pain,
His heart is in his arm;
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nes, laying down the tract, and sobbing as
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member the promise is, that if you ask, you
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draft of water to stand very close in to the shore.
The slaver seeing this, found there was no pro-
spect of escape, for we were prepared to give her
shot and shell. They therefore came to the
determination of running the craft ashore. She
accordingly ran along the edge of the surf, which
was greater than I have ever seen it, to pick
out the most favorable spot for landing. After
half an hour's suspense on our part, a dark body
was seen on the top of a mighty wave, and then
disappeared for a moment in the vale of water.
The next we saw of her, was that she was hard
and fast on shore, all her masts, yards and sail
standing, not having carried away anything. As
soon as she grounded, the crew got down the long
ladder, and uncoiled the sail, made a bridge of the
former, and escaped on shore, taking the sail and
their valuables with them; immediately, as if by
magic, she was surrounded by thousands of the
natives, who lost no time in beginning the work
of plunder. In order to prevent them, as soon as
we got within range, we gave them a few shot,
which at first dispersed them, but the love of gain
overcame their fear.

The French steamer also opened fire for the
same purpose. Lieutenant Sir. Leger was sent in
the first whaler, to take charge of the prize, and
endeavor to keep off the people by firing muske-
try at them. As soon as we came to anchor,
Lieut. Robins, Messrs. Simpson, midshipman,
and Williams, gunner, went in the second whaler,
and five Kroomen in the jolly boat, to measure the
vessel, and ascertain other particulars concerning
her. After several efforts, the Kroomen managed
to get their little boat through the surf, and to
the shore, got on board, measured her and pre-
pared to come off to the other boats. They got half
the distance when the vessel was swamped. The
Kroomen, who are like wild dogs, managed to
save themselves and the boat.

Lieutenant Robins, in the second whaler, and
some unaccountable manner, got into the surf,
and a heavy sea came on and broke over his
head, and sunk her. She was gone in an instant.